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AIRPORT, APRIL 26

FOLLOWING IS FULL TEXT SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER'S ARRIVAL
STATEMENT IN ZAMBIA.

QUOTE FOREIGN MINISTER, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I WOULD LIKE TO
THANK MY OLD FRIEND FOREIGN MINISTER BANDA AND THE OTHER
OFFICIALS OF ZAMBIA WHO SO KINDLY TOOK THE TIME TO COME TO THE
AIRPORT TO WELCOME ME.

QUOTE IMPORTANT QUESTIONS, POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC, NOW FACE
THE NATIONS OF AFRICA AND THE WORLD COMMUNITY. AMONG THE MOST
URGENT OF THESE ARE THE PROBLEMS OF SOUTHERN AFRICA...THE
ISSUES OF INDEPENDENCE, MAJORITY RULE AND RACIAL JUSTICE. THE
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TIME HAS COME FOR US TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES SQUARELY AND WITH

A SENSE OF SOLIDARITY. I WILL TOMORROW PRESENT THE VIEW OF THE UNITED STATES OF HOW, WE BELIEVE, THESE QUESTIONS CAN BE DEALT WITH IN SOME DETAIL.

QUOTE PRESIDENT KAUNDA IS WELL KNOWN TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AS ONE OF THE MOST DEDICATED AND RESPECTED STATESMEN IN AFRICA. WE ADMIRE AND ENDORSE HIS CONSTRUCTIVE APPROACH TO THE PROBLEMS OF SOUTHERN AFRICA, PROBLEMS WHICH ARE OF SPECIAL CONCERN TO ZAMBIA. PRESIDENT FORD WAS VERY PLEASED TO MEET AND EXCHANGE VIEWS WITH PRESIDENT KAUNDA IN WASHINGTON A YEAR AGO AND I LOOK FORWARD TO MY TALKS WITH PRESIDENT KAUNDA AND HIS COLLEAGUES WHILE I AM IN LUSAKA.

QUOTE AS WE DELIBERATE THE ISSUES BEFORE US WE WILL DO SO FROM A FIRM FOUNDATION OF FRIENDSHIP. OUR EFFECTIVE COOPERATION IN THE PAST HAS BUILT UP A RESERVOIR OF GOODWILL PLUS A MUTUAL RESPECT WITH THE UNITED STATES AND ZAMBIA FROM WHICH WE CAN DRAW STRENGTH AND CONFIDENCE AS WE WORK TOGETHER TO SOLVE THE PROBLEMS OF THE FUTURE.

QUOTE I AM DELIGHTED TO BE ABLE TO ACCEPT AN INVITATION THAT YOU HAVE SO LONG EXTENDED TO ME. I HAVE COME TO LISTEN AND TO LEARN AND TO OFFER WAYS IN WHICH THE UNITED STATES CAN JOIN ITS EFFORT TO ZAMBIA'S IN THE COURSE OF THE ASPIRATIONS AND VALUES WE SHARE AND THE ASPIRATIONS AND VALUES OF THE PEOPLE OF AFRICA. I LOOK FORWARD TO MY STAY IN ZAMBIA AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR WARM WELCOME. UNQUOTE. ITEM USIS LUSAKA. WILKOWSKI

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